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**APPLICANT:** Nikolai Jitariouk et al.  
**SERIAL NO.:** 10/682,335  
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**TITLE:** HOLLOW MEMBRANES WITH CAPILLARY  
TUBES, FLUID TREATMENT MODULES THAT  
USE THEM AND METHODS OF  
MANUFACTURING THEM  
**EXAMINER:** David L Sorkin  
**ART UNIT:** 1723

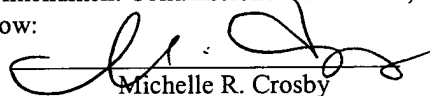
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed September 19, 2005. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to drawings** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.